

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 2 and 7 have been previously cancelled. Claims 3 and 23 have been amended herein. All of the pending claims 1, 3 through 16, and 18 through 23 are presented, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(c)(1)(i) and 1.121(c)(3), in clean form attached hereto as Appendix C.

Attached hereto as Appendix D is a marked-up version of the claims amended herein pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii).

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